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SUBJECT: SYG LONATI ADOPTS US PAPER ON WTO PROGRAM SERVICES; WTO ASSEMBLY DEVELOPS

REF: A) GENEVA 605; B) STATE 21788

1. SYG LONATI ASKED MISSION OFFICER ON FEBURARY 6 IF IN HIS LETTER FORWARDING PROPOSED WTO BUDGET FOR 1976-77 TO MEMBERS HE COULD UTILIZE US PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN PARA 3 AND 6 OF REF B AS SERVICES WHICH WTO WILL ATTEMPT TO PERFORM. MISSION OFFICER CONCURRED. COMMENT: US SUGGESTIONS HAVE MADE MAXIMUM IMPACT AT RIGHT TIME.

2. PROPOSED WTO BUDGET FORM, HOWEVER, REPRESENTS PRETTY LARGE CANADIAN TUTCLAGE AND WILL BE, WE ARE ASSURED, MAJOR IMPROVEMENT OVER LAST PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO IOUTO WORKING GROUP LAST OCTOBER.

3. LONATI WAS DISTURBED AT LACK OF RESPONSES THUS FAR TO HIS LETTER RE SITE OF WTO ASSEMBLY AS HE IS COMMITTED TO TRANSMITTING HIS REPLY TO SPANISH AND MEXICAN MISSIONS ON FEBURAY 17. HE REPORTED, FURTHER THAT WHEREAS SPAIN HAD

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NO OBJECTION TO WTO HOLDING SESSIONS OF ITS ASSEMBLY AT

BOTH MADRID AND MEXICO CITY, MEXICO INFORMED HIM THAT WTO ASSEMBLY SHOULD MEET ONLY AT MEXICO CITY.

4. CONFIDENTIALLY LONAI REPORTED THAT FOLLOWING REPLIES HAD BEEN RECEIVED SO FAR: URUGUAY AND COLUMBIA: MEXICO CITY; PANAMA: MADRID; USSR: "EUROPE AS SITEOF FIRST ASSEMBLY". USSR REPLY HE INTERPRETED AS INDICATING THEY FAVORED GENEVA OR MADRID. DALE

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